

**Life in New York.**  
In commenting on the "spenders" of the Great White Way a writer in the American Magazine asks if the improvident habits of the average metropolitans are due to a shorter life.

"The grocer on the corner told my wife that he didn't try to save anything because 'we all die before we are sixty, anyway.' \* \* \* What's the use?" he said. "You never see many old people around. I won't live to be old, and neither will you."

"That last statement stuck in my mind. It is a fact that in the streets of New York you see few people past sixty. The actual dangers connected with street traffic must keep the old indoors to a certain extent, or else it drives them away to the little towns. Anyway, I am sure you see a smaller proportion of old people in great cities than you see in small towns."

"Does this fact influence a good many, like the grocer, to spend all and to save nothing because of an unconsciously formed opinion that almost everybody works along and dies in the harness before sixty? Is this one reason why city people are more improvident and extravagant than country people?"

#### Changed His Mind.

When Charles B. Towns, author of "Habit That Handicap," first began his practice in curing drug victims he had great difficulty in securing patients in order to prove the efficacy of his cure. His claim to have discovered a cure for drugs was reverberating through the New York underworld; but, though speculation was lively, volunteers were thin. Finally, not knowing what else to do, Towns actually kidnapped a race track tout and put him through the treatment against his will. "When I got out of here and tell the boys what you've been doing to me," threatened the tout, "your life won't be worth 20 cents. They'll croak you in a minute." But five days later the tout told his friends quite another story. He went, not gun men to kill, but condemned men to be healed, four of them. Towns had squared himself with the underworld as much by his courage as by his skill.

#### To Erect a Tent in Winter.

Instead of using a rope bridge, tents should be set in winter with a pole between two trees or supported on forked sticks, and the tapes along the ridge should be tied to this pole, says All Outdoors. If the tent has no tapes run the pole through the tent from end to end, and support it at each extremity with a forked pole. Better still are two forked poles at each end, the bottoms of which are spread far apart. When the tent says it can be tightened by drawing the bottom close together and thus raising the ridge. Poles spread apart in this way also add much to the stability of the tent in a wind. While this method requires five poles instead of three, it is nevertheless the best way to erect an A tent. It will be difficult to drive stakes in winter, but loops, to which the ropes may be tied, will serve nearly as well.

Mining blanks, Courier office.

#### First Wire Suspension Bridge.

The first wire suspension bridge in the United States if not in the world was thrown across the Schuylkill river near the falls of Schuylkill, in Philadelphia, in 1816. Its history is as follows: In 1809 Robert Kennedy and Conrad Carpenter built a chain bridge at the falls of Schuylkill, which broke down in 1811. Josiah White and Erskine Hazard, afterward prominent as pioneers in the anthracite coal trade of Pennsylvania, had erected a rolling mill and a wire factory in the neighborhood, and after the bridge fell they formed a new company, and another chain bridge was constructed in April, 1812, but this new bridge in turn gave way in 1816. White & Hazard then sawing a wire suspension bridge across the river from an upper window of their factory to some large trees on the west bank, steps leading from the trees to the ground. This primitive bridge structure was intended for foot passengers only, and but eight persons were allowed to go upon the footway at one time. The bridge is said to have cost \$125.—Exchange

#### Career of the Levelers.

Levelers first appeared in Germany. Two men, Munzer and Storck, taught that distinctions of rank violate the rights of mankind. This was in the sixteenth century. At the head of 40,000 men Munzer commanded the sovereign princes of Germany and the magistrates of cities to resign. His followers ravaged the country until one of the German overlords defeated them in battle. Their leader was beheaded.

A party of Levelers appeared in England in 1647, where they became powerful in parliament. They determined to level all ranks and establish an equality of titles and estates throughout the kingdom. About this time Cromwell departed for Ireland. The Levelers raised mutinies in various quarters. Cromwell put them down in 1649 and imprisoned their leader.

A party of Levelers appeared in England during the French revolution. A "loyal association" was formed against them, and their efforts brought no results.—Kansas City Star.

#### Twelfth Century Football.

In the twelfth century football was a game for the streets. The chronicler of that period tells how after dinner the city youths "addressed themselves to football" and how the scholars of each school and the apprentices of particular trades would each have their peculiar ball. There were spectators, too, in those days, enthusiastic spectators. Fathers would come to watch their sons and "become as youthful as the youngest, their natural heat seeming to be revived at the sight of so much ability."

In later years there was a famous ball game played in Hyde park. In 1654, then, "there was a hurling of a great ball by fifty Cornish gentlemen on one side and fifty on the other; one party played in red caps, the other in white." And—here the historical value of the contest—Cromwell was a spectator and applauded the "great ability of body" displayed.

## PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Club, 97@98; bluestem, 99@100.  
Oats—No. 1 white feed, 24.45@24.75.  
Barley—Feed, 26@27.75.  
Hogs—Best live, 6.40.  
Prime steers, 7.75; fancy cows, 6; best calves, 7@7.50.  
Spring lambs, 7.75@8.  
Butter—City creamery, 30.  
Eggs—Selected local extras, 35.  
Hens, 14; broilers, 13½@14; geese, 9.

## SUBMARINES GET BUSY.

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scrambling, and everybody was pretty cool.

"The first two boats got away all right, but the next rolled over as she hit the water. There were a lot of women in that one. The first boat launched tried to pick up those of the overturned boat, but the waves kept bumping the rescuer against the Persia, threatening to capsize the lifeboats that had pulled away.

"The next two cleared a minute before the Persia sank. Some of the crew were trying to get over another but passengers were mostly grouped on the deck. Women clung to men and children cried. Then the waves broke over the stern and I was thrown into the water."

The number of survivors reaching here was placed at close to 160, many of whom were Lascar sailors, engineers and a few women. Many suffered from exposure and it is possible the death list will run higher by reason of this exposure. Many were lightly clad and some were taken from the water without coats.

Fishing vessels are seeking for bodies off Crete, and it is regarded as possible that Greek trawlers rescued some alive in the water.

Charles H. Grants, of Boston, as advised showed, was saved, while Edward Rose, of Denver, left the liner at Gibraltar.

## FORD PEACE PARTY ALLOWED TO CROSS OVER GERMAN SOIL

Copenhagen, Jan. 3.—Germany has granted permission for the Ford peace expedition to cross Germany on route to The Hague for what probably will be the final conference of the Ford party.

The German consul here will vize the party's passports, the American state department having refused to do so.

The permission to cross German soil eliminates the probability of a wholesale desertion threatened by those who refused to cross the North sea because of the danger of mines.

A special train has been chartered for the peace party, and Copenhagen will be left Friday. It is understood that the permission to cross Germany carries the proviso that none of the party will leave the train while it is inside Germany.

The Hague meeting in all probability will last only a few days. According to present plans the trip will permanently end January 12, when members of the party expect to sail for America.

Dr. C. F. Aked, who was left behind at Stockholm because of illness, has recovered and is due to arrive here today.

#### PETITION TEDDY'S NAME ON MICHIGAN BALLOT

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 3.—Petitions bearing enough signatures to insure placing Col. Roosevelt's name in the state presidential republican primaries were filed here today.

#### ASK THAT DISTANCE TO TIPPERARY BE SHORTER

Abilene, Kan., Jan. 3.—To prove that he could get signers for any old kind of a petition, Justice Mason got 400 signers to a petition asking the British government to shorten the way to Tipperary.

#### ANOTHER HORSE FARM GOES OUT OF BUSINESS

San Francisco, Jan. 3.—The biggest thoroughbred breeding establishment in California, the Oakwood Stock farm, will soon be turned into a cattle raising establishment, according to announcement made today by the owners, Lawrence & Comstock.

## Classified Advertising

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WANTED—To rent for a few days a light team. Call J. E. Turnbull, Grants Pass hotel. 633

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#### Inherited.

They were joking the man about his enormous appetite, but he kept "putting away," undisturbed by the taunts. Finally he said in defense: "Well, you see, I make after with my father and my mother. One ate a long while, and the other ate a great deal."

#### The Old Trouble.

"Every residence should have a servant's bath," says a housekeeping magazine. Oh, what's the use? The servants don't stay long enough to need a bath.—Louisville Courier-Journal

#### Easily Managed

First Girl—I mean to be engaged when I'm nineteen. Second Girl—But supposing you can't manage it? First Girl—Then I shall remain nineteen until I am engaged.

#### More Effective.

Husband—I saw the doctor today. He says I must go away and rest. Wife—Did you show him your tongue? Husband—No, but I told him about yours.

#### TIME CARD

California and Oregon Coast Railroad Company (The Oregon Coast Route) Effective Monday, Dec. 20, 1915.

Train 1 lv. Grants Pass.....7:00 a.m.  
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Train will stop on flag at any point between Grants Pass and Waters Creek. Passenger service every day in the week.

#### STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Rogue Valley Creamery will be held in the Grants Pass Commercial Club rooms on Saturday, January 8, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

MARSHALL HOOPER, Secretary. 633.

#### Effect of Familiarity.

"What we see constantly we cease to see vividly. The faces we notice least are those we know—and perhaps really love—best. Our eyes are a bit jaded by following the familiar lines."

"The same is true of pure color," says a writer in the Atlantic Monthly. "Water and sky are very beautiful, and you may suppose that you are duly appreciative of them, but lie on the deck of a catboat and look at them with your head in an unaccustomed position—sideways and upside down—and note how the colors flare out upon your vision."

"Or stay indoors for a few weeks in a room where you do not get much outlook and then go out. You will be blinded by the glory of the world, but not for long. The glory, alas, fades quickly, and habit settles upon you once more."

"With our friends' faces somewhat the same thing happens. When we first meet them they pique us pleasantly with their unfamiliar line and color. Gradually we grow used to them. The first vision has passed."

#### Mounting a Horse.

In mounting take the reins in the left hand. At the same time grasp a little mane halfway up the neck. Now turn the stirrup slightly toward you with the right hand and place the ball of the left foot in it. Grasp the horn with the right hand and swing on. Don't pull yourself on, but swing on. Settle into the saddle easily; don't drop into it. If you want to get "your neck broke" some time mount by taking the horn in one hand and the cantle in the other, and the time will surely come when you will not be disappointed.

Just a word in regard to dismounting. First withdraw your feet from the stirrups to the ball. Take the horn in the right hand and swing off, letting the left foot slip easily and quickly from the stirrup. Remember this, for many a man has been dragged to death because his foot stuck in the stirrup. Your feet will nearly always come free if thrown from a horse, but the left one is prone to stick in dismounting unless the above precaution is observed.—Outing.

#### An Analysis of "Ain't"

"Ain't" is an imposter abbreviation of "are not." British writers spell it "aint," which properly indicates its derivation. Americans make it an inclusive offense, using it for "am not" and "is not," as well as for "are not." It is unquestionably the worst instance of slovenliness in the common speech of today.

Yet it is by no means universal or even of common use. It will slip occasionally from refined lips, always with a jar to the eumelator as well as to the hearer. But the habitual user of "ain'ts" is careless of refinement. He may be an excellent citizen who never beats his wife or kicks the cat. But there is likely to be something slipshod about him somewhere. For "ain't" is needless as well as cacophonous; it fills no void and supplies no need.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

#### The Soft Answer.

He—Ugh! I'm going out of this, and you won't see me again until the day of judgment.

She (sweetly, getting the last word, as usual)—All right, dear, and if you aren't feeling in a better temper please let it be well on in the afternoon.—London Saturday Review.

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